

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An image display device comprising:

a first substrate ~~having including~~ an image display surface and a metal back formed on the image display surface;

a second substrate opposed to the first substrate across a gap and ~~having including~~ a plurality of electron sources which excite the image display surface;

a grid provided between the first and second substrates and ~~having including~~ a plurality of beam passage apertures opposed to the electron sources, individually;

a plurality of spacers which maintain the space between the first substrate and the second substrate;

a height correcting layer interposed between each of the first spacers and the first substrate and abutting against the first spacer and the first substrate; and

a voltage supply unit which applies a first voltage to the first substrate and applies a second voltage higher than the ~~one for the first substrate~~ first voltage to the grid.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): An image display device according to claim 1, wherein

the grid ~~has includes~~ a first surface opposed to the first substrate and a second surface opposed to the second substrate, and

the spacers ~~includes include~~ a plurality of columnar first spacers set up on the first surface of the grid and abutting against the first substrate and a plurality of columnar second spacers set up on the second surface of the grid and abutting against the second substrate.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): An image display device according to claim 2, wherein

each of the first spacers is set up on the first surface of the grid between the beam passage apertures, and

each of the second spacers is set up on the second surface of the grid between the beam passage apertures and aligned with the first spacer.

Claim 4 (Original): An image display device according to claim 2, wherein the first spacers are shorter than the second spacers in height.

Claim 5 (Canceled).

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): An image display device according to claim ~~5~~ 1, wherein the height correcting layer has a resistance lower than that of the spacers.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): An image display device according to claim 2, wherein the second spacers have a surface resistance lower than ~~the~~ a surface resistance of the first spacers.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): An image display device according to claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ a surface of the grid and ~~the~~ an inner surface of each beam passage ~~apertures~~ aperture are subjected to high-resistance surface treatment.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): An image display device according to claim 1, wherein the second voltage applied to the grid is set ~~within~~ less than or equal to 1.5 times as high as the first voltage applied to the first substrate.

Claim 10 (New): An image display device comprising:

- a first substrate including an image display surface and a metal back formed on the image display surface;
- a second substrate opposed to the first substrate across a gap and including a plurality of electron sources which excite the image display surface;
- a grid provided between the first and second substrates and including a first surface opposed to the first substrate, a second surface opposed to the second substrate, and a plurality of beam passage apertures opposed to the electron sources, individually;
- a plurality of spacers which maintain the space between the first substrate and the second substrate, the spacers including a plurality of columnar first spacers set up on the first surface of the grid, and a plurality of columnar second spacers set up on the second surface of the grid and abutting against the second substrate;
- height correcting layers interposed between the respective first spacers and the first substrate and abutting against the respective first spacers and the first substrate; and
- a voltage supply unit which applies a first voltage to the first substrate and applies a second voltage higher than the first voltage to the grid.

Claim 11 (New): An image display device according to claim 10, wherein each of the first spacers is set up on the first surface of the grid between the beam passage apertures, and

each of the second spacers is set up on the second surface of the grid between the beam passage apertures and aligned with the first spacer.

Claim 12 (New): An image display device according to claim 10, wherein the first spacers are shorter than the second spacers in height.

Claim 13 (New): An image display device according to claim 12, wherein the height correcting layer has a resistance lower than that of the spacers.

Claim 14 (New): An image display device according to claim 10, wherein the second spacers have a surface resistance lower than a surface resistance of the first spacers.

Claim 15 (New): An image display device according to claim 10, wherein the surface of the grid and an inner surface of each beam passage aperture are subjected to high-resistance surface treatment.

Claim 16 (New): An image display device according to claim 10, wherein the second voltage applied to the grid is set less than or equal to 1.5 times as high as the first voltage applied to the first substrate.

Claim 17 (New): An image display device comprising:
a first substrate including an image display surface and a metal back formed on the image display surface;
a second substrate opposed to the first substrate across a gap and including a plurality of electron sources which excite the image display surface;

a grid provided between the first and second substrates and including a first surface opposed to the first substrate, a second surface opposed to the second substrate, and a plurality of beam passage apertures opposed to the electron sources, individually;

a plurality of spacers which maintain the space between the first substrate and the second substrate, the spacers including a plurality of columnar first spacers set up on the first surface of the grid and abutting against the first substrate, and a plurality of columnar second spacers set up on the second surface of the grid and abutting against the second substrate, the second spacers having a surface resistance lower than a surface resistance of the first spacers; and

a voltage supply unit which applies a first voltage to the first substrate and applies a second voltage higher than the first voltage to the grid.

Claim 18 (New): An image display device according to claim 17, wherein each of the first spacers is set up on the first surface of the grid between the beam passage apertures, and

each of the second spacers is set up on the second surface of the grid between the beam passage apertures and aligned with the first spacer.

Claim 19 (New): An image display device according to claim 17, wherein the first spacers are shorter than the second spacers in height.

Claim 20 (New): An image display device according to claim 17, wherein the surface of the grid and the inner surface of each beam passage aperture are subjected to high-resistance surface treatment.